

Pre-Summer Emphasis

GESCNA-ED Presentation

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City of Seattle

Overall Crime

- Overall, city-wide crime YTD is down 12% (data as of May 6)

CRIME GROUP	CRIME CATEGORY	2019	2018	AMT CHANGE	% CHANGE	5YR WTD AVG
PERSON	HOMICIDE	6	10	-4	-40%	9
	SEX OFFENSE	287	315	-28	-9%	287
	ROBBERY	521	544	-23	-4%	530
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	▲ 633	586	47	8%	520
	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT-DV	230	241	-11	-5%	227
	Total	1,677	1,696	-19	-1%	1,573
PROPERTY	ARSON	22	39	-17	-44%	36
	BURGLARY-RESIDENTIAL	▼ 1,474	1,831	-357	-19%	1,797
	BURGLARY-COMMERCIAL	928	1,007	-79	-8%	865
	LARCENY-THEFT	4,104	4,520	-416	-9%	4,235
	CAR PROWL	▼ 3,730	4,313	-583	-14%	4,777
	MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	▼ 1,030	1,336	-306	-23%	1,347
Total		▼ 11,288	13,046	-1,758	-13%	13,057
Grand Total		▼ 12,965	14,742	-1,777	-12%	14,630

Overall Crime

- **Overall, city-wide crime increased 2.3% in 2018 compared to 2017**
- **Population growth is also estimated at 2.3% from 2018 to 2017**

Crime Group	Crime Category	2018	2017
Person Crime	Homicide	32	28
	Rape	272	254
	Robbery	1,690	1,537
	Aggravated Assault	2,697	2,491
	Total	4,691	4,310
Property Crime	Arson	101	139
	Burglary	8,029	7,743
	Larceny-Theft	26,555	26,586
	Motor Vehicle Theft	4,004	3,613
	Total	38,689	38,081
Grand Total		43,380	42,391

Emphasis Patrols

- A recognized practice in departments nationwide
- An evidence-based strategy to fight crime
- A decades-long strategy across the City
- A success in other Seattle neighborhoods



Overarching Goals & Strategies

- **Address crime and disorder issues**
 - Increased visibility via Bicycle and Footbeats
 - Place-based focus, including improving lighting, graffiti, public rights-of-way, and more
- **Connect people with services**
 - Continued coordination with REACH and LEAD
 - Coordination with departments for variety of City services

Overarching Goals & Strategies

- **Coordinated neighborhood improvements**

- Coordination with 9 other City departments
- Intensive 30 day effort followed by after-action reports to measure success
- May continue dependent on operational needs

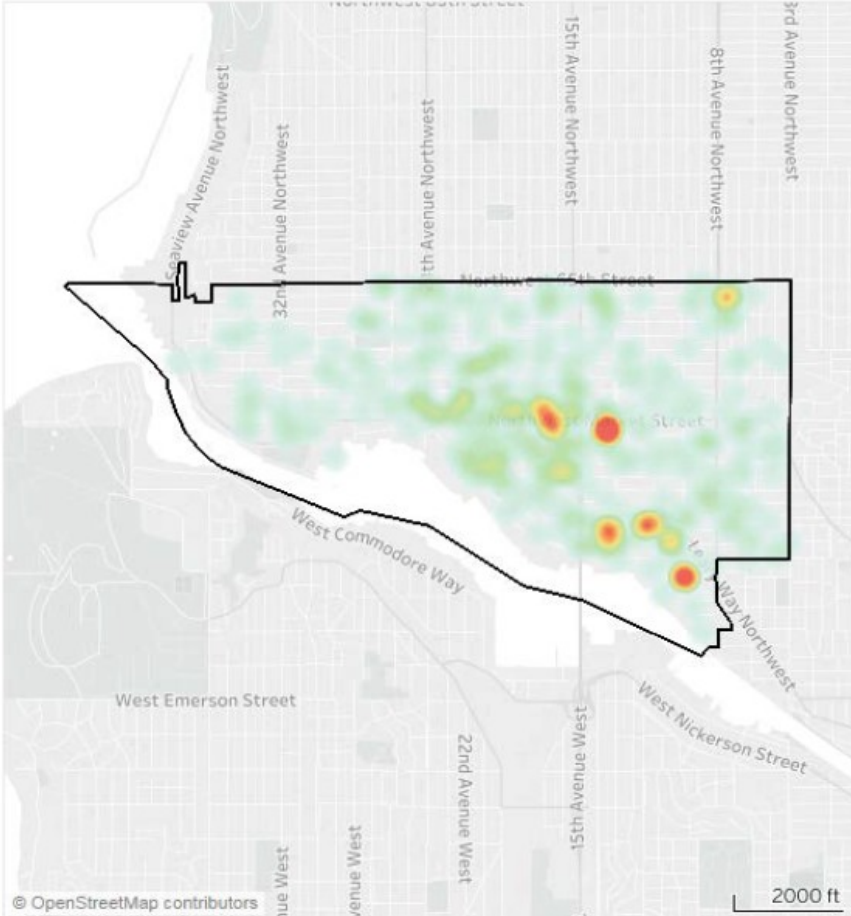
- **Community engagement**

- 7 community-led, multi-department neighborhood walks
- Emphasis officers engaging with residents and businesses
- Augments daily interaction between City departments and community

Neighborhood Walks



South Ballard

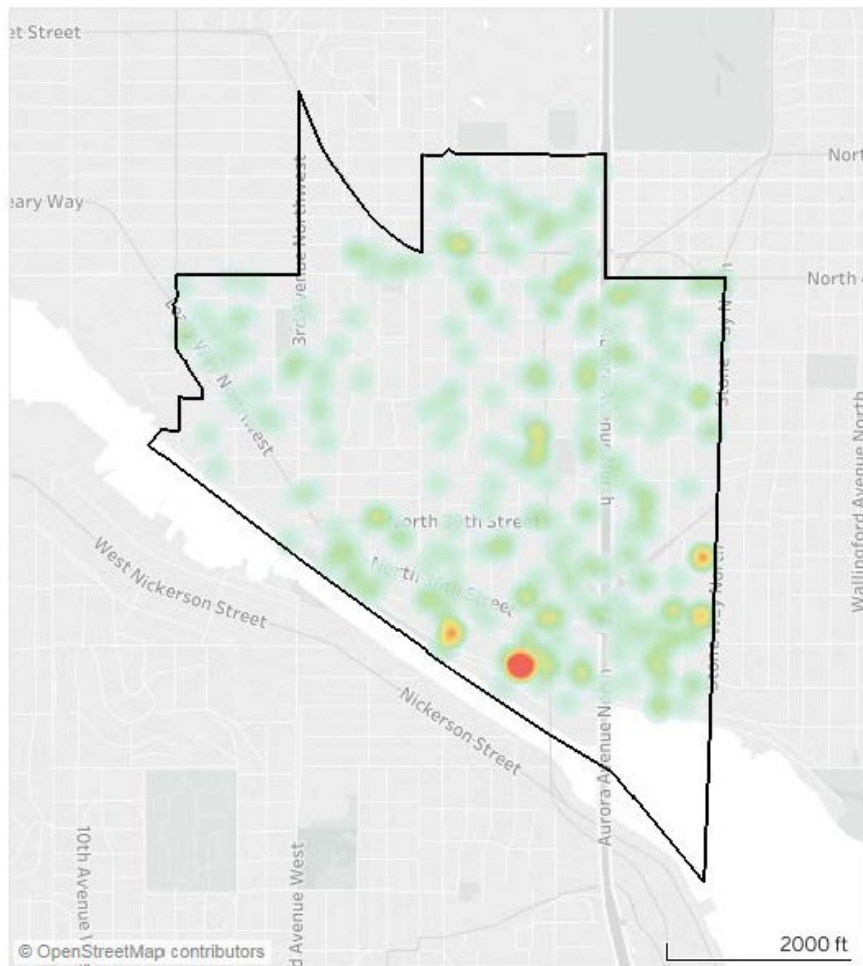


- Overall 11% increase in crime in 2018 from 2017.
- Increase was primarily in Property crime, which has been steadily increasing since 2016.
- Largest Property crime increases since 2016 have been Larceny-Theft, Car Prowl, and Motor Vehicle Theft. Recently, it has seen an increase in Aggravated Assaults.
- Over 7,400 total “West Woodland” CSB requests for service in 2018 and 2019, including over 3,600 abandoned vehicle reports.

South Ballard Neighborhood Walk

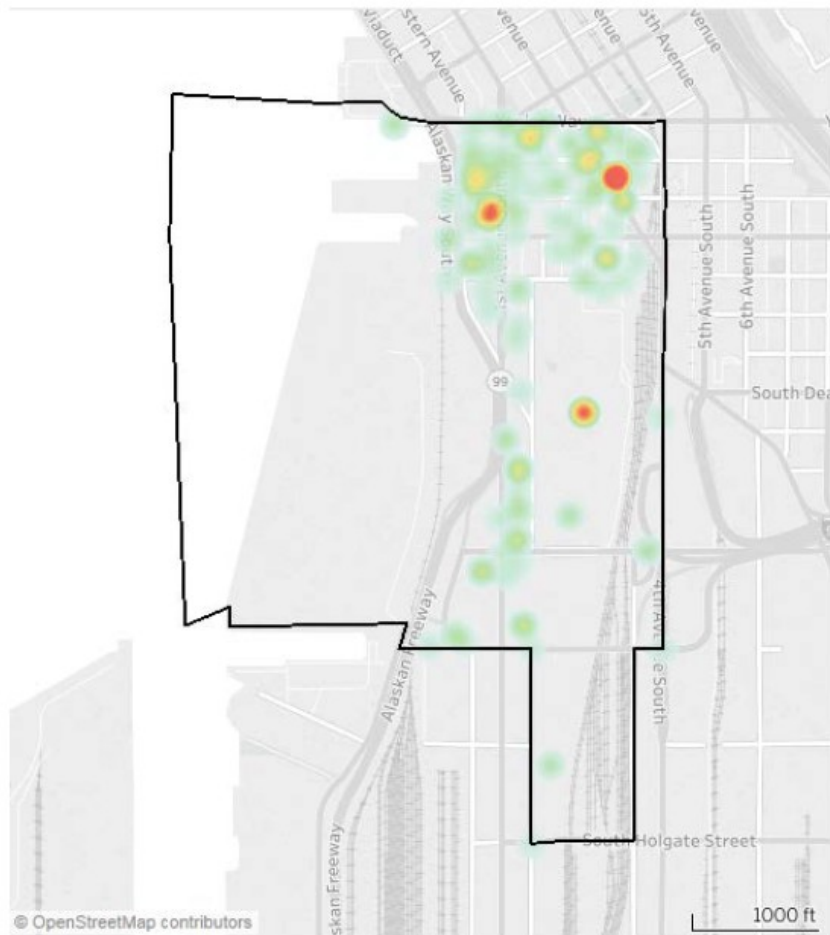


Fremont



- Overall 52% increase in Person and Property crime in 2018 from 2017.
- Increase due to 56% jump in property crimes compared to 2017.
- Year-to-date, Fremont continues to struggle with Property crime, primarily Larceny-thefts and Car Prowls.
- Over 6,600 requests for service to Customer Service Bureau (CSB) in 2018 and 2019, including high number of graffiti reports compared to other neighborhoods in City.

Pioneer Square



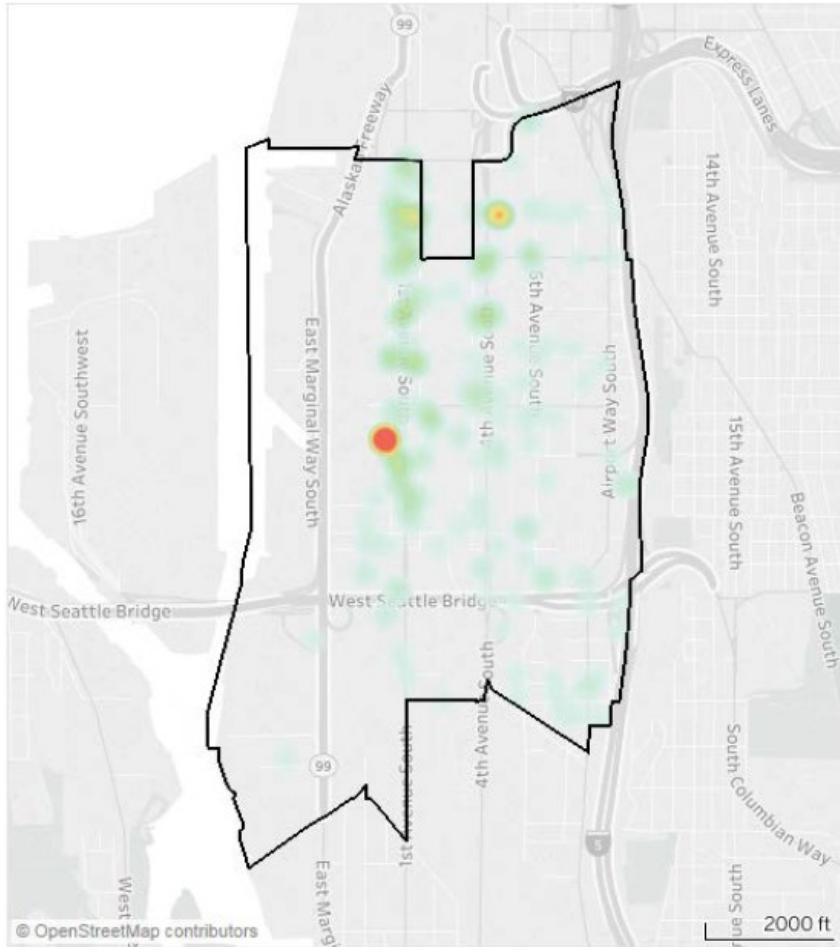
- Overall 28% increase in crime in 2018 compared to 2017.
- In 2018, Person Crime was up 21% from 2017, primarily due to Aggravated Assaults and Sex Offenses. Property Crime was also up 25% from 2017, primarily due to Larceny-theft and Car Prowl in the area.
- Pioneer Square has also seen an uptick in Shots Fired with 6 incidents YTD compared to 3 this time last year.
- Of CSB 2018-2019 requests, Pioneer Square has one of highest number of streetlight outage reports in City.

Downtown Commercial



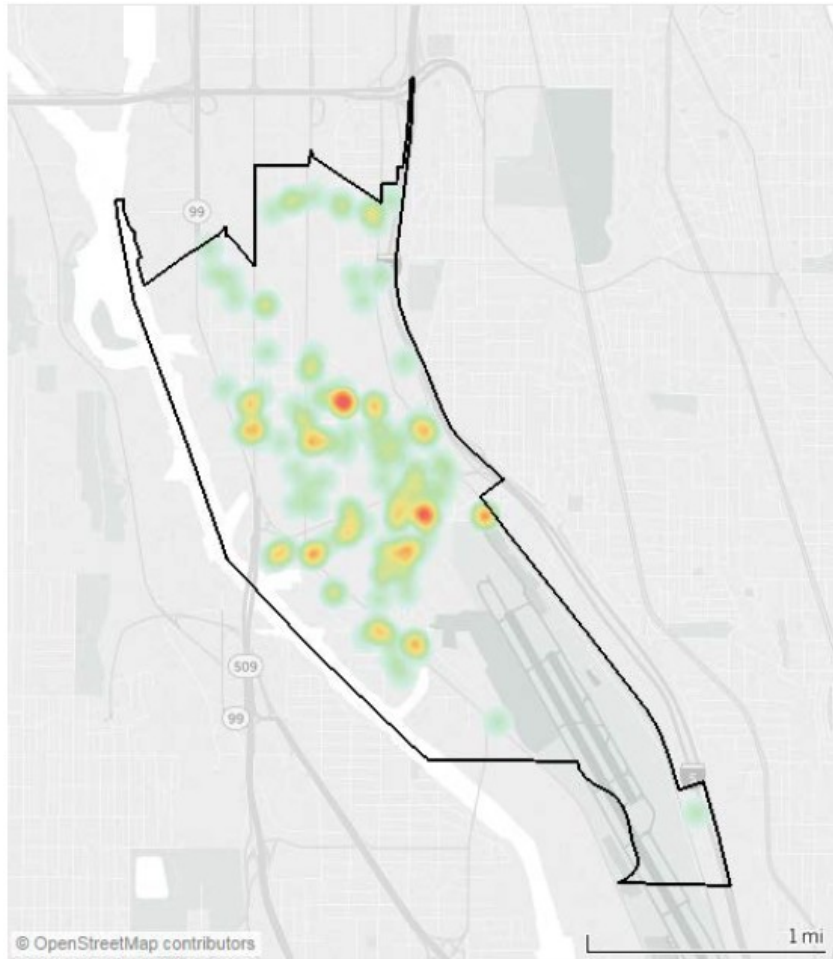
- While overall crime is down year-to-date, SPD has seen a recent uptick in aggravated assaults.
- Since 2016, SPD has seen an increase in Person crimes and in 2018, a 16% increase in Person Crime Downtown. Increase is primarily due to Commercial Robberies (+43%) and Aggravated Assaults (+26%).
- Over 3,300 Downtown-area CSB requests for service in 2018 and 2019.

SODO



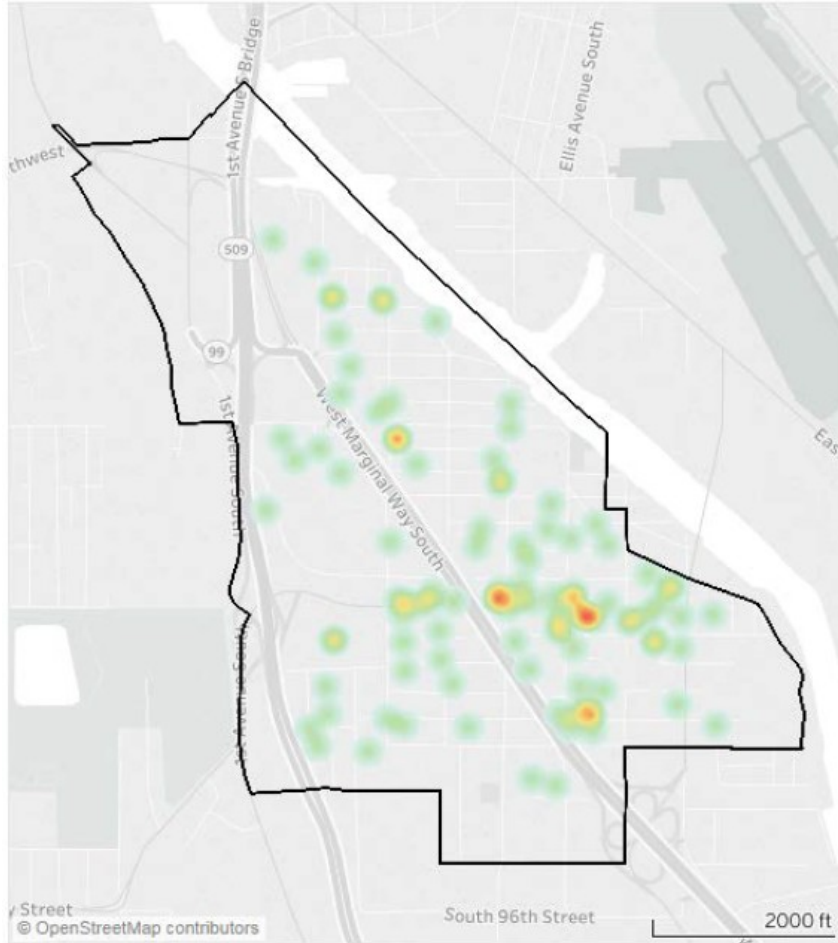
- Overall increase of 35% in crime in 2018 compared to 2017.
- Person Crimes increased by 26% and Property Crimes increased by 36%.
- SODO is the second neighborhood (after Fremont) that experienced the biggest increase in crime from 2017 to 2018. Property Crime increases can be attributed to Car Prowls, Larceny-Theft, and Commercial Burglary. In the last four complete months, Property Crime totals have exceeded the last two years.
- Over 5,500 “Industrial District” CSB requests for service in 2018-2019, including high number of pothole reports compared to other neighborhoods.

Georgetown



- Overall 12% increase in crime in 2018 compared to 2017.
- Person Crime steadily increasing since 2015, primarily in Aggravated Assaults and Robbery. Property Crime has also increased every year since 2015. Largest increases in 2018 due to Motor Vehicle Thefts and Larceny-Thefts.
- Although crime is currently down in Georgetown, there have been slight upticks in Aggravated Assaults as well as Suspicious Circumstance calls for service.
- Over 2,500 CSB reports of abandoned vehicles and over 1,000 illegal dumping reports in 2018-2019.
- According to Seattle University's 2015-2017

South Park



- Overall 21% increase in crime in 2018 compared to 2017.
- In 2018, South Park had a 62% increase in Person Crime, primarily Aggravated Assaults. South Park has also seen an increase in shots fired from 2016-2018.
- Overall crime is down in 2019, but there have been slight upticks in Street Robbery and Aggravated Assault.
- When reviewing Seattle University's Public Safety Survey from 2015-2017, South Park identified gun violence and drug houses in their Top 5 Safety Concerns from 2016-2017.

- **Next Steps**
- **Questions**